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SUBJECT:CALL ON DEPUTY SECRETARY BY DANISH AMBASSADOR

1. IN CONTINUING ROUND OF CALLS ON SENIOR DEPARTMENT
OFFICIALS, DANISH AMBASSADOR BARTELS MET WITH DEPUTY
SECRETARY INGERSOLL AUGUST 7. DISCUSSION FOLLOWED
ALONG GENERAL LINES OF TALK AUGUST 6 WITH ASSISTANT
SECRETARY ENDERS (SEPTTEL). HOWEVER, IN REPORTING ON
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TALKS IN COPENHAGEN BETWEEN FRENCH PREMIER CHIRAC AND

DANISH PRIME MINISTER HARTLING, BARTELS STRESSED THAT THE TWO HAD AGREED ON BASIC PRINCIPALS OF EC AGRICULTURAL POLICY: BOTH DENMARK AND FRANCE WERE EFFICIENT AGRICULTURE PRODUCERS, SHARED COMMON INTERESTS, AND OPPOSED BRITISH SYSTEM OF DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS TO FARMERS.

2. INGERSOLL RAISED F-104 REPLACEMENT ISSUE AND STRESSED IMPORTANCE TO WESTERN SECURITY OF AIRCRAFT COMMONALITY AMONG NATO ALLIES. BARTELS SAID THAT CHIRAC HAD QUITE NATURALLY PUSHED THE FRENCH AIRCRAFT DURING HIS TALKS WITH HARTLING IN COPENHAGEN. HARTLING, HOWEVER, HAD MADE IT CLEAR THAT DENMARK WOULD NOT MAKE DECISION IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. THE REASON, BARTELS EXPLAINED, WAS THAT TO MAKE SUCH A BASIC DECISION DURING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DEFENSE REORGANIZATION PLAN WOULD REOPEN THE

DEFENSE ISSUE IN DENMARK -- SOMETHING NONE OF THE MAJOR PARTIES DESIRED. CHIRAC INDICATED TO HARTLING, BARTELS SAID, THAT THE FRENCH WILL RECONSIDER PRICE, CHOICE OF AIRCRAFT AND COMPENSATION TO COVER FOREIGN EXCHANGE COSTS. THE ONLY REMAINING POINT THEN WOULD BE QUALITY, BUT THE DANES WILL STILL AVOID A DECISION FOR THE TIME BEING.

3. IN CLOSING, BARTELS SAID IT WOULD HAVE BEEN HELPFUL IF STATE HAD KEPT WASHINGTON EMBASSIES BETTER INFORMED DURING CYPRUS CRISIS, SINCE WITHOUT OFFICIAL GUIDANCE MANY EMBASSIES HAD BEEN FORCED TO RELY ON PRESS ACCOUNTS. DEPSEC POINTED OUT THAT WE HAD KEPT NATO, THE UN AND THE EC INFORMED DURING THE CYPRUS CRISIS. EVENTS MOVED SO FAST WE COULDN'T BRIEF ALL THE AMBASSADORS IN WASHINGTON, SO WE BRIEFED THE PARENT ORGANIZATIONS. KISSINGER

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